

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

AUDIT COMMITTEE

**MONITORING REPORT / ACTION LIST
2023-24**

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Ref	Date	Report	Action	To be actioned by	Outcome
1.	28.09.22	Caller Report	Regular updates on progress made to address issues raised from the Caller Report including monitoring progress on the Action Plan and the subsequent recommendations of the Challenge Board. For the item to be placed on the Work Programme.	Executive Director for Resources & Transformation (S151) to update when appropriate.	Last update produced for November 2023 meeting.
2.	27.09.23	Member Request	Report on past dismissals of statutory officers.	Head of Internal Audit & Risk Management	In progress
3.	27.09.23	Member Request	Further report on the legality of exit payments.	Exec Director of Transformation and Resources (S151) and Director of Law & Governance (MO)	In progress
4.	31.1.24	Member Request	Members to be advised of the legal definitions of illegal and unlawful.	Monitoring Officer	Email to be sent to Members of the Audit Committee
5.	31.1.24	Member Request	Information previously shared with Cllr Dale on Borderlands Project be circulated to the wider committee including additional information on its accountability and assurance framework.	Exec Director of Transformation and Resources (S151) and Director of Law & Governance (MO)	Completed

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WORK PROGRAMME

ISSUE
27 March 2024
Internal Audit, Risk Management & Corporate Fraud Counter Fraud Update Strategic Audit Plan 2024/25 Annual Audit Committee Work Programme Annual Review of Audit Committee Effectiveness Update on Internal Audit work in relation to active group entities
Corporate Finance Group Boundary Review 2023/24 Annual Governance Statement 2023/24
External Audit Audit Progress Report
Reports from Other Service Areas Education & Safeguarding Performance – Review of External Inspection Reports
29 May 2024
Internal Audit, Risk Management & Corporate Fraud
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External Audit

Reports from Other Service Areas

MEETING DATES TO BE CONFIRMED/SCHEDULED

- Monitor any impacts from recent changes within Adult Social Care and wider NHS changes where/when appropriate.

Delay to July 2024 Meeting

- Northumberland County Council – Consideration of ‘Going Concern Status’ for the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

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